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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO  
THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES (Small Entity)**

Docket No.  
019441.023

In Re Application Of: **Yoshihiko Shioda**

Serial No.  
09/444,120

Filing Date  
November 19, 1999

Examiner  
Raeann Gordon

Group Art Unit  
3711

Invention: **GOLF PRACTICE AND EXERCISE DEVICE**

**TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

Applicant(s) hereby appeal(s) to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Primary Examiner dated **May 23, 2003** finally rejecting Claim(s) **1 and 18-23**

Applicant is a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27.

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NOTICE OF APPEAL UNDER 37 CFR §1.191(a)

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A check in the amount of \$160.00 in payment of the Appeal Fee is enclosed. Any additional fees or charges which may be required in connection with this Notice of Appeal may be charged to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 18-1215.

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